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: METHODS FOR DETECTING ENDOCRINE CANCER

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## RESPONSE UNDER 35 USC § 121

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2006 and issued for restriction purposes. A Petition under 37 CFR §1.136(a) to extend the time for response to this Office Action for one month from November 24, 2006 to December 24, 2006 and the required fee due under 37 CFR §1.17(a) (1) of \$60 are enclosed. Please enter the following elections, amendments, and remarks.

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## **ELECTIONS**

In response to the outstanding restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, which claims are drawn to a method for detecting or screening for endocrine cancer. Claims 5 and 30-41 read on this election.